Week 6 report

The YAAD group has had a great week. Classes have been very interesting. We have been very busy over the week. We had our second English corner this week, it is held by the local student at the main campus of the university. The first week, which was last week, was very exciting there were around 50 people there. It wasn't formal which was good, we introduced ourselves discussed what Australia is like and what peoples preconceptions of Australia are. We played a few charade type game where we had to describe the words that we were given then a few people had to try and guess what it was. We also played a very fun Song relay game. It is like Chinese Whispers but you have to sing to the person next to you and if it was close enough to what the song was at the start you got a point. We also had some free discussion time which was enjoyable. We just got to know everyone what he or she was studying and why they wanted to improve English. The two hours went very quickly and we all enjoyed the experience allot.

The second session of English corner, which was in week 6, was a smaller group; this was because the university had an orientation type day on. A lot of people had meetings to go to however there was still 20 people there. The smaller group gave everyone an opportunity to talk and get involved in our discussions. We discussed entertainment in this session. We discussed what everyone does for entertainment and why he or she likes doing it. This allowed us to get to know everyone a bit better. We also played some singing games at the start to get everyone relaxed. After the English corner we walked around the main campus and looked at the architecture and interacted with some local students. It is a very Grand beautiful campus. (Photographs on next page)

A few days ago we had a meeting with a teacher from Nankai University and we are very privileged to be invited to their campus next week. We are meeting some film students who are in their final year of study. We will be at the University when they are filming 3 short films for a film festival. We are very lucky because they have asked us to help with the films; we have the option of doing some acting, directing, filming or editing. We are all very excited to participate and help these students with their films. We also were offered to meet some photography student, which would be very exciting.
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